



Docket No.: 070456-0122

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Yasuyuki WATANABE, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 5469
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Application No.: 10/585,646	:	Group Art Unit: 3656
	:	Allowed: June 05, 2009
Filed: July 07, 2006	:	Examiner: HANNON, Thomas R.
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For: THRUST NEEDLE ROLLER BEARING, SUPPORT STRUCTURE RECEIVING THRUST LOAD OF COMPRESSOR FOR CAR AIR-CONDITIONER, SUPPORT STRUCTURE RECEIVING THRUST LOAD OF AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION, SUPPORT STRUCTURE FOR NONSTEP VARIABLE SPEED GEAR, AND SUPPORT STRUCTURE RECEIVING THRUST LOAD OF MANUAL TRANSMISSION

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated June 05, 2009.

In reviewing the file, it is noted that we have not received acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement and cited art filed August 14, 2008. Enclosed are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and stamped return postcard acknowledgement. Copies of the references are also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

Applicant hereby respectfully requests that:

- (1) the appropriately acknowledged PTO-1449 be furnished to Applicant; and
- (2) the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant: Yasuyuki WATANABE, et al. Docket No. 070456-0122 Serial No. 10/585,646

Title: STRUCTURE FOR CONTINUOUSLY VARIABLE TRANSMISSION, AND SUPPORT STRUCTURE RECEIVING THRUST LOAD OF MANUAL TRANSMISSION Patent No. _____

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pages of Abstract _____

pages of Formal/Informal Drawings _____

☐ Small Entity ☒ Large Entity

☐ Declaration/Power of Attorney

☐ Recordation of Assignment/Security Agreement

☒ Information Disclosure Statement

1 Form PTO 1449

5 References attached

☐ Preliminary Amendment

☐ Response to Missing Parts Notice

☐ Resp. to Notice to Correct App. Papers

☐ Certified Copy of Priority Doc.

☐ Claim for Convention Priority

☐ Response/Amendment to Office Action of _____

☐ Request for _____ month Extension of Time

☐ Letter submitting _____ pages of drawings

☐ Req. for Approval of Drawing Amendments

☐ Req. for Oral Hearing

☐ Not. of Appeal ☐ Appeal Brief ☐ Reply Brief

☐ Rule 312 Amendment/Letter

☐ Req. for Acknowledgement of Cited Art

☐ Issue Fee

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☐ Req. for Certificate of Correction

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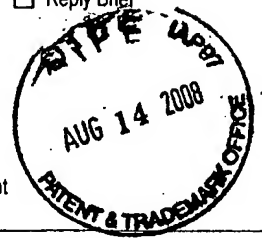
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No certification or fee is required.

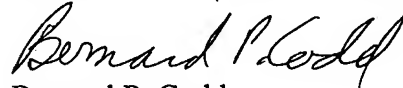
The references were cited in a Japanese Office Action and its relevance discussed therein. Please note that the references **JP10- 30150** and **JP 10-204612** have been previously cited in a information disclosure statement filed on February 14, 2008. A copy of the Japanese Office Action, together with an English language version thereof, is attached for the Examiner's information.

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